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sides each having a proximal end and a distal end, and opposed spaced apart proximal and distal lateral sides, and having a top surface and an opposed bottom surface;

- (c) means for fastening said absorbent body around the waist of a wearer of the absorbent body;
- (d) an elasticized barrier layer overlying a portion of the top surface of said absorbent core member, said elasticized barrier layer being defined by three sides; a longitudinal side attached along a portion of one longitudinal side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said longitudinal side, a lateral side attached along a portion of one lateral side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said lateral side, and an elasticized diagonal side connecting the end on said longitudinal side to the end on said lateral side thereby forming a retaining enclosure between said elasticized barrier layer and said top surface of said absorbent core member.

18. An integral disposable absorbent article as in claim 17 wherein said terminal end on said lateral side of said absorbent core member is located at about the middle of said lateral side.

19. An integral disposable absorbent article as in claim 17 wherein said terminal end on said longitudinal side of said absorbent core member is located between the middle and the distal end of said longitudinal side

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20. An integral disposable article as in claim 17 wherein said terminal end on said lateral side of said absorbent core member is located at about the middle of said lateral side and said terminal end on said longitudinal side of said absorbent core member is located between the middle and end of said longitudinal side.

21. An integral disposable elasticized absorbent article comprising:
- (a) an absorbent body having a front waist portion, a back waist portion, a crotch portion and a pair of spaced apart leg openings;
  - (b) an absorbent core member having a longitudinal axis and a lateral axis, defined by opposed spaced apart longitudinal sides each having a proximal end and a distal end and opposed spaced apart proximal and distal lateral sides, and having a top surface and an opposed bottom surface;
  - (c) means for fastening said absorbent body around the waist of a wearer of the absorbent body;
  - (d) two elasticized barrier layers; a first elasticized barrier layer overlying a first portion of the top surface of said absorbent core member and a second elasticized barrier layer overlying a second portion of the top surface of said absorbent core member, said first elasticized barrier layer being defined by three sides; a first longitudinal side attached along a portion of the first longitudinal side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said first longitudinal side, a first lateral side attached along a portion of said lateral side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said first lateral side, and a first elasticized diagonal side connecting the terminal end on said first longitudinal side and the terminal end

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on said first lateral side, thereby forming a first retaining enclosure between said first elasticized barrier layer and said first portion of said absorbent core member; a second elasticized barrier layer having three sides, a second longitudinal side attached along a portion of the second longitudinal side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said second longitudinal side, a second lateral side attached along a portion of said second lateral side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said second lateral side, and a second elasticized diagonal side connecting the terminal end on said second longitudinal side to the terminal end on said second lateral side thereby forming a second retaining enclosure between said second elasticized barrier layer and said second portion of said absorbent core member.

22. An integral disposable absorbent article as in claim 21 wherein the terminal end on said first lateral side is located at about the middle of said first lateral side and the terminal end on said second lateral side is located at about the middle of said second lateral side.

23. An integral disposable absorbent article as in claim 21 wherein the terminal end on said first longitudinal side of said absorbent core member is located between the middle and distal end of said first longitudinal side, and the terminal end on said second longitudinal side of said absorbent core member is located between the middle and distal end of said second longitudinal side.

24. An integral disposable absorbent article as in claim 21 wherein the terminal end on said first lateral side is located at about the middle of said first lateral side, the terminal end on said second lateral side is located at about the middle of said second lateral side, the terminal end on said first longitudinal side of said absorbent core member is located between the middle and distal end of said first longitudinal side, and the terminal end on said second longitudinal side of said absorbent core member is located between the middle and distal end of said second longitudinal side.

25. An integral disposable elasticized absorbent article comprising:
- (a) an absorbent body having a front waist portion, a back waist portion, a crotch portion and a pair of spaced apart leg openings;
  - (b) an absorbent core member having a longitudinal axis and a lateral axis, defined by opposed spaced apart longitudinal sides each having a proximal end and a distal end and opposed spaced apart proximal and distal lateral sides, and have a top surface and an opposed bottom surface;
  - (c) means for fastening said absorbent body around the waist of a wearer of the absorbent body;
  - (d) two arched-shaped elasticized barrier layers; a first generally concave elasticized barrier having one end attached between the middle and distal end of one of said longitudinal sides and second end attached between the middle and distal end of the other one of said longitudinal side thereby forming a first retaining enclosure; and a second generally convex elasticized barrier having one end attached between the middle and proximal end of one of said longitudinal sides and the other end attached between the middle and distal end of the other one of

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said longitudinal sides thereby forming a second retaining enclosure, and wherein said first and second arched-shaped elasticized barrier layers intersect to form a double barrier layer on the top surface of said core member.

26. An integral disposable elasticized absorbent article comprising:
- (a) absorbent body having a front waist portion, a back waist portion, a crotch portion and a pair of spaced apart leg openings;
  - (b) an absorbent core member having a longitudinal axis and a lateral axis, defined by opposed spaced apart longitudinal sides each having a proximal end and a distal end and opposed spaced apart proximal and distal lateral sides, and have a top surface and an opposed bottom surface;
  - (c) means for fastening said absorbent body around the waist of a wearer of the absorbent body;
  - (d) four elasticized barrier layers; a first elasticized barrier layer overlying a portion of the top surface of said absorbent core member, a second elasticized barrier layer overlying a second portion of the top surface of said absorbent core member, a third elasticized barrier layer overlying a third portion of the top surface of said absorbent core member and a fourth elasticized barrier layer overlying a portion of the top surface of said absorbent core member, said first elasticized barrier layer having three sides; a left longitudinal side attached along a portion of the left longitudinal side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said left longitudinal side, a top lateral side attached along a portion of the top lateral side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on

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said top lateral side, and a first elasticized diagonal side connecting the terminal end on said left longitudinal side and the terminal end on said top lateral side, thereby forming a first retaining enclosure between said first elasticized barrier layer and said first portion of said absorbent core member; a second elasticized barrier layer having three sides, a right longitudinal side attached along a portion of the right longitudinal side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said right longitudinal side, a top lateral side attached along a portion of said top lateral side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said top lateral side, and a second elasticized diagonal side connecting the terminal end on said right longitudinal side to the terminal end on said top lateral side thereby forming a second retaining enclosure between said second elasticized barrier layer and said second portion of said absorbent core member; a third elasticized barrier layer having three sides, a left longitudinal side attached along a portion of the left longitudinal side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said left longitudinal side, a lower lateral side attached along a portion of said lateral side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said lower lateral side, and a third elasticized diagonal side connecting the terminal end on said left longitudinal side and the terminal end on said lower lateral side, thereby forming a third retaining enclosure between said third elasticized barrier layer and said third portion of said absorbent core member; a fourth elasticized barrier layer having three sides, a right longitudinal side attached along a portion of the right longitudinal side of said absorbent core member and having a terminal end on said right longitudinal side, a lower